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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS) SY

SUBJECT: SECVISIT - SYRIA

REF: (A) DAMASCUS 4850; (B) DAMASCUS 4851

1. RE COURTESY CALL ON FONMIN KHADDAM, OUR PREFERENCE  
WOULD BE THAT IT BE SCHEDULED MORNING OF AUGUST 4.  
SECRETARY WISHES TO DEFER, HOWEVER, TO WHATEVER IS MORE  
CONVENIENT FOR FOREIGN MINISTER KHADDAM. EVEN IF IT IS  
TO BE SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 3 AFTER ARRIVAL DO NOT BELIEVE  
THAT DINNER NEEDS TO BE SLIPPED TO 2100.

2. SECRETARY WOULD PREFER INFORMAL REMARKS RATHER THAN  
FORMAL TOAST AT DINNER.

3. UNABLE AT THIS TIME TO PREDICT WHETHER SECRETARY WILL  
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NEED TO MEET WITH ASSAD PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FOR AMMAN.  
WE WILL HAVE TO MAKE JUDGMENT AFTER INITIAL MEETING.

4. RE RETURN DINNER FOR KHADDAM AT RESIDENCE AUGUST 4,  
PLEASE SEND RECOMMENDED GUEST LIST. WILL DINNER BE BUFFET  
OR SIT DOWN? WE HOPE SIZE CAN BE KEPT TO MANAGEABLE  
PROPORTIONS.

5. YOUR SCHEDULE FOR MRS. VANCE LOOKS SATISFACTORY.  
RE YOUR QUERY PARA 5 REF A,MRS. VANCE SPEAKS FLUENT  
FRENCH.

6. PLEASE SEND DETAILED SCENARIO AS SOON AS WORKED OUT.  
VANCE

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